

## Nanshuo Lodge

Kagoshima samurai Saigo Takamori (1828–1877) lodged in this building when he was traveling in the Osumi Peninsula. Dubbed the “last samurai” of Japan, Saigo was one of three great warriors who led the Meiji Restoration, which heralded the beginning of the country’s modernization in the late nineteenth century. His presence still pervades this historic building—in the hanging scrolls he created and the holes he left in the walls during shooting practice. His beloved *hibachi* (charcoal brazier) and teapots are also on display.

\*Nanshuo Lodge is a private residence. Only one section of the building is open to the public.